

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Michelle M. Hanna

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For: **Molecular Detection Systems  
Utilizing Reiterative  
Oligonucleotide Synthesis**

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Examiner: Jezia, Riley

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**Reply to Requirement for Restriction**

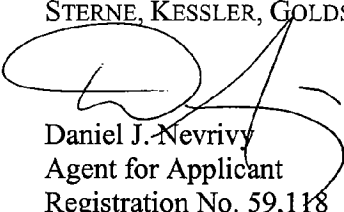
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Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated July 3, 2007, Applicant hereby elects Group VI, represented by claim 21. The aforementioned election is made without traverse. It is believed that extensions of time are not required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in accompanying documents. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

Respectfully submitted,

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